The Sinews of War

Farmers of Kansas in a Relentless Army Sweeping Through Harvest Fields, "Doing Their Bit" to Win the War by Feeding the Nation

By THEODORE M. KNAPPEN

TOPEKA, Kansas, July 9.-Millions fall daily in Kansas The dead lie in swaths or are collected in heaps. For those who remain there is no escape. The small grains harvest is The erstwhile waving fields of gold now begin to give place 10 serried shocks that stretch out to the horizon like interminable

A month ago the harvesters began the assault on the grain felds of Texas and Oklahoma. Two weeks ago the attack was general in Southern Kansas. Now the clicking, whirring binders more to the attack throughout the middle and northern parts of

Farmers out here have been taught to regard themselves as addiers fighting in the universal war. Many a farmer's boy, as is iron seat on the red McCormick jumps and jerks over the clods whind five horses, imagines himself leading a charge against the estimated in excess of \$15,000,000 Germans. As the ever revolving reel relentlessly presses the even anks of wheat against the sickle, and the self binder neatly ties the stalks into bundles and carelessly throws them on the ground absolute owner of lands under water behind, he says to himself: "Wheat is as necessary to victory as in Gowanus Bay taken for Barge sullets," and then is almost ashamed of his flight of imagination. But soon imagination reasserts itself, and as his steady team coninnes its rounds of the golden field, inexorably taking off a 5-foot 283,219. size of the still bravely upstanding grain, he pictures himself | Former Supreme Court Justice | Charles E. Hughes experienced his first sorking awful havor in the ranks of the massed troops of the defeat since returning to the practise

Surely there is much to fire his imagination. The environment sutterly unwarlike, but these endless fields, this whole earth's Sanford W. Smith, First Deputy Attorsurface utilized extensively by the aid of ingenious machinery, for ney General, who handled the case for hundreds of miles tells of the power and strength of a nation. As the state. his team and harvester rattle down one side of the field, the boyish oldier of the farm looks across a fence to a mile of corn with its broad green leaves rustling softly against each other, and waving neely and triumphantly in the air. Already the vigorous growth decision would affect the value of all gands waist-high, and gives great promise for the reserve food the lands under water taken by the army. If the wheat shall be sacrificed in vain, the corn will save vicinity of New York City, where fourthe day. Corn is the symbol of agricultural America.

On another side of the field of wheat is a wide field of alfalfa, ever green of the leaf, and now lightly tinged with blue of the blossom. It is potential energy for horse power, and potential food in the form of meat and dairy products.

On a third side is a pasture dotted with trees sloping down to 1884. to the muddy plains river, deep and placid.

On the fourth side a long train laden with soldiers rushes rapidly by on a transcontinental railway. The farmer boy's world is by train and track united to the great world and the great war beyond. He thrills, and cracks the whip, and the shockers, slipping and stumbling through the stubble behind, cry for mercy. It is hard enough to plod over rough fields under a burning sun, with the mercury standing 100 in the shade, and strive, eyes blinded with sweat, to put eight bundles of wheat into neat rain-proof shocks as fast as the harvester deposits them-even when the teams move at their usual slow and sure gait-but when martial imagination wields the whip the task becomes impossible.

Now, take a scene something like what has just been sketched, and multiply it a hundred thousand times and more. That is what an all-seeing eye might see in the great West to-day. Only skirmishers in the Ohio Valley states, increasing numbers in Missouri, solid armies in Kansas. The annual reckoning of the wheat crop, the oats crop, the barley crop, the hay crop, is in progress. What the machines are cutting to-day as precisely and regularly as your mother used to cut the pie, you who read this, and your brethren beyond the seas, shall eat, if you eat bread at all.

And lest the farmer and the farmer's boy and the hired man should forget their great and responsible mission in this fateful year of grace 1917, when noontime comes and the men eat their hearty lunches, and throw themselves prone on the grass in the shady corner by the well, their eyes meet a poster affixed to a tree, which declares in valiant red and blue type:

ARMS AND AGRICULTURE A CAMPAIGN FOR NATIONAL DEFENCE TO FEED THE NATION IS TO FIGHT ITS BATTLES PRODUCE MORE CONSUME LESS WASTE NOTHING

"THE PLAN OF ATTACK" is duly laid out in detail, its eras. headings being: "INCREASE AND CONSERVE CROP PRO-DUCTION," "IMPROVE AND INCREASE LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS." The soldiers of the farm are directed by the poster proclamation to "use as arms efficient machines and labor savers,

pended to the proclamation, declares:

"A KANSAS SOLDIER NEVER SLEEPS AT HIS POST,

WHETHER SERVING IN THE TRENCHES OR THE FUR-

So Kansas fights the war at home on farm and range. As I write, the Kansas Council of Defence is in session, plan-

ing the campaign that is to be fought in 1918 by the embattled armers on the smiling fields of Kansas.

"We may not win the food battle this year," says "Jake" Mohler, Secretary of Agriculture and Adjutant General of the Kansas Agricultural Army, "but we will win next year."

Three Persons Killed In Automobile Wrecks automobile were injured, none mor-

New Hampshire Priest, Now in Hospital, Is Expected to Recover

North Kittery, Me., July 11.-An Steph F. Creeden, of Laconia, N. H., tracked through the rail of a bridge ther Spruce Creek late to-day, causing set East Jaffrey, N. H., and his cight lots at the northwest corner of Fordham Road and Valentine Avenue. It has bought the site through Charles S. Kohler from F. Aldron Salter and Arthur E. Briggs. The transaction into the coal supply, the New York. New Haven to be set to be the death of John Crowe, seventy years

to-day. The machine swerved on the slippery road into another car, over-turned, with the occupants under it, and caught fire. Other automobilists quickly put out the fire and rescued the injured. stamobile operated by the Rev. Father Fordham to Have Keith House The B. F. Keith New York Theatre Company is to have a theatre with a seating capacity of 3,000 on a plot of

Selectmen of Braintree, was instantly

killed and five others with him in an

tally, on the Newburyport Turnpike late

Court Reverses Biggest Verdict **Against State**

\$15,000,000 To Be Saved by Gowanus Bay Land Decision

Hughes's First Defeat

Former Supreme Court Justice Argued Case in Court of Appeals

Albany, July 11 .- Annulling the argest judgment ever entered against the State of New York, the Court of

Brooklyn, which claimed to be the

of law in this decision. Mr. Hughes was retained to argue the case in the Court of Appeals. He was opposed by

Attorney General Merton E. Lewis, who carried the case from the lower courts, pointed out to-night that the teen terminals are to be located. The value of these lands in a large number

of cases is in litigation.

The First Construction Company, of which former Senator William H. Reynolds is president, claimed ownership of all the lands taken by the state by virtue of legislative grants made prior to 1884. The old Board of Claims sus-tained this claim to the extent of 1,-442,022 square feet and allowed the company compensation at the rate of 75 cents a square foot.

Court Points to Error

The Court of Appeals holds that this was error; that the company was the owner of only a small part, and as to the rest had only secured from the state the right to acquire title by filling in the lands under water, which had never been done, although thirty years had elapsed since the right was granted.

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The case is sent back to the Court Claims to determine what compensa-n, if any, the claimant is entitled to the theory laid down by the Court

Col. Green Arrives With Bride to Begin

Finally the Kansas Council of Defence, whose name is ap- tion, happy and impervious to the stares Martha.

"There's nothing else I can tell you, boys. We are getting settled down now, both very happy, and we're going to be married a long time.
"Romance? Well, so the papers in Chicago said. I only know we are both very happy. Mrs. Green doesn't like all this publicity, but I tell her it'll all Mone.

all this publicity, but I tell her it'll all die down soon.

"We're going to my yacht now, and in the morning we expect to leave for a quiet little cruise around the Sound. Receive on the bont? I should say not. You know, this is my honeymoon."

Colonel Green's motor car took the couple to Eighty-sixth Street, where the colonel's yacht, the United States, was moored. Here they posed again and then went aboard the vessel.

It was rumored that the colonel was planning a three months cruise to the West Indies. Earlier in the day the captain of the yacht said, in reply to inquiries: "Why, we might go to Honolulu. We've got enough supplies on board."

New Haven Cuts 199 Trains From Schedule to Save Coal

Larthquake Damages Samoa

Melbourne, July 11.—A dispatch received here from Suva, Fiji Islands, asys damage has been caused in the samoan Islands by a severe earthquake.

Topstaid, Mass., July 11.—D. H. Samoan Islands by a severe earthquake and tidal wave. The Friendly Islands also have experienced an earthquake.



SOCIETY AT NEWPORT AIDS RED CROSS

MRS. ANGIER B. DUKE

MISS PAULINE DISSTON

Mrs. Duke represented "Vivandiere" and Miss Disston "Hawaii" at the Red Cross fête given at the home of Mrs. Arthur Curtiss James, at Newport, July 10. Miss Disston's engagement to John Wanamaker, ir., was announced last week

Auction at St. Denis Hotel Draws Throng

Sentiment Lures "Big Tim's" Friend to Sale at Birthplace of Tammany

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of success will not arrive to any business man until he learns there are other compensations in life than money, declared John Wanamaker, ex-Postmaster General and merchant prince, in a birthday interview to-day. Mr. Wanamaker, who is seventy-nine, received a huge silk American flag from employes in his New York store and a floral piece from those in the Philadelphia establishment. Colonel Green and his wife will live

Society

Of Antique Hunters Miss Louise Van Wagenen Becomes the Bride of William Anson

Miss Louise Van Wagenen, daughter of Mrs. Frederick De Voe Van Wageearly meeting places of Tammany Hall was married yesterday afternoon in the leaders and hostlery for Abraham Lin- chapel of the Church of the Incarnacoln, General U. S. Grant, Buffalo Bill, tion to William Anson, son of the Sarah Bernhardt, Mark Twain and second Earl of Lichfield. The cereother celebrities, entered upon its last mony was performed by the Rev. Dr. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Trowbridge Hollister, will be married to Lieutenant Truman Smith, U. S. A. Resolution Greeted with Tu-multuous Applause at Bos-

thumbing the blue curtains that decorate the hotel's best suite.

"This is the room that President Lincoln was in when he saw the parade," offered an hotel porter, who was standing idly by.

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city, at the rectory of St. Patrick's 0.3in a birthday interview to-day. Mr.
Wanamaker, who is seventy-nine, received a huge silk American flag from
employes in his New York store and a
floral piece from those in the Philadelphia establishment.
Here are a few Wanamakerisms
which he promulgated:
"It is a great thing to show people
how to work and teach them to love it."
"More people have blind minds about
business than there are people who
have blind eyes."
"There is no better school for learning the world, its people, customs and
financial methods than the mercantile
business."
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who spent the early summer at Cedar-hurst, Long Island, has gone to her camp at Loon Lake, N. Y., for the re-mainder of the season.

son Munds, in October, Miss Saltus,

Miss Virginia Richards Duane, daughter of Arthur Duane, will be married to Melton Douglas Cole, son of Mrs. Lucius A. Cole, to-day in Grace Church, Millbrook, N. Y. Owing to the recent death of the bride's mother only relatives and a few intimate friends will be present at the ceremony, which will be performed by the Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Cornell. A reception will follow at the Knott Farm. Miss Carolyn B. Van Cortlandt, daughter of Augustus Van Cortlandt, of this city, will be the bride's maid of honor and only attendant. The ushers will be Reune Martin, C. A. Doolittle, jr., Walter F. Cole and Richard Bache Duane.

a three-day auction sale of all its prop-erties and effects, from Bibles to cham-pagne buckets. And with complete mahogany bedroom suites going at \$16. there uncle. Dr. Andrew J. Gilmour, of the uncle. Dr. Andrew J. Gilmour, of the

Mrs. Henry F. Dimock has gone to Bar Harbor from Canandaigua, N. Y. where she was the guest of Mrs. Frederick F. Thompson Dr. and Mrs. John Herndon French have gone to White Sulphur Springs to spend the remainder of the month.

Ukulele Wins a Bride

Lures Rosie O'Brien from Home to Wed Player Young Joseph Gonsalves came out of

financial methods than the moderate financial methods than the manner in which began on Sunday night, when the finences and actual satisfaction has been my business motto for half a century."

"There is no need to be concerned about the times and general business if manufacturers and storekeepers will stop nursing forebodings and raising stop nursing forebodings and raising of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Dick-large in the began on Sunday night, when the girl vanished. She explained yesterday that she had met her husband in a conduct that she had met her husband in a con

1,300 Kiddies Will Be Sent Away By Fresh Air Fund Within a Week

'Epic of Ethel," Printed in The Tribune, Loosens Purse Strings, and Now Not Only Ethel, but Helen and the Baby Will Get Vacations

"The Epic of Ethel," the story of a shout noon one hundred more lads and about noon one hundred more lads and lassies will lay a course for Northeast lassies will lassie will lassie will lassie will lassie will lassie will lass lassies will lassie will lass lassies will lassie will vacation, published in this column two ern Pennsylvania to spend vacations in days ago, touched the hearts of many Erst Bangor, Plainfield, Pen Argyl and people and moved them to give the Wind Gap. money to provide an outing not only out. for Ethel but for "Helen and the baby"

These three will get the country outing they need, but listen to the suggestion in the letter of one of those who rushed to the rescue of Ethel. She writes:

'The story of 'Ethel' in this morn-"The story of 'Ethel' in this morning's Tribune is most appealing—the more so because it is only one of a thousand similar stories which might be told. I send you with this a check for \$6 to help 'Ethel' or some other little one see the country for two weeks—not only to see it, but to taste it and smell it and breathe it in for fourteen days."

Thousands Like "Ethel"

She bids you think of the thousand other "Ethels"! Only when she puts other "Ethels"! Only when she puts the number at a thousand she greatly underestimates the size of the multitude of boys and girls whose histories would be just as full of pathos as that of the little lass whose story drew money from many pocketbooks. In the alleys and tenements of this great city there dwell ten thousand children as deserving of sympathy and help as "Ethel."

The Tribune cannot print the story of each individual child, but you must know that the thousand "Ethels" exist, if your eyes have not been blind and your ears deaf as you have gone about the streets of New York Will you come to the aid of the thousand, as kind hearts have come to the rescue of the one?

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Now read what the Tribune Fresh
Air Fund is going to do in the way of
providing country fortnights for these
children in the next few days. 1,300 To Be Sent Away

Within a week, beginning to-day, 1,300 youngsters are to be sent away to begin vacations in a score of pleasant places. This morning fifty girls will be sent off to the Berkshire Hills for outings at St. Helen's Home. This afternoon one hundred little mothers

afternoon one hundred little mothers are to sail down the bay to Eunice Home, at Chapel Hill, N. J.

To-morrow morning fifty boys will join the girls at St. Helen's Home, and seventy-five little cripples will ride away to Devereux Home for a three weeks' stay in the Catskills on the banks of the Delaware River. Fourteen boys and girls will set out on a long ride leading to a glorious vacation at Mount Morris and Nunda, N. Y.

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In the afternoon thirty girls will go
to Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island;
twenty will go to Fairfield, Conn., and
eight will go to Stepney, Conn., while
135 will travel up into Westchester
County to Ashford Hill, the fund's
home at Ardsley. And while these are setting out, a group of thirty-one negro girls will leave town for Westbury, Long Island.

Monday an Off Day On Saturday 164 boys and sixty-one mothers and babies will be sent to join

out. The Fund is not able to make medical examinations of children on Sunday, and is not willing to send children out who have not been examined within the twenty-four hours preceding their departure.

On Tuesday, however, the flood will burst forth anew, and 200 boys and girls will ride all day to get to various vacation places along the line of the Eric Railroad. These include Hornell, Canaseraga, Almond, Canistee, Bath,

Life Kairoad. These include Hornell, Canaseraga, Almond, Canisteo, Bath, Avon, Kanona and Cohocton, N. Y. The same afternoon twenty-five boys will be sent to delightful Outcault Cottage, at Freehold, N. J.

Biggest Party on Thursday Then will come the biggest party of the season to date—the party for Binghamton, N. Y. It will go out on Thursday, probably 300 strong, though the number has not been finally set-

Here are vacations for a thousand and three hundred Ethels and Jim-mies, and every one of them has been chosen to fill one of the places because

Contributions to The Tribune Fresh Ale

tee "felt justified in concluding that any war relief which the Elks might undertake should properly be admin-istered in cooperation with the Red

suggests itself."
In suggesting the establishment of base hospital units the report said:
"The base hospital unit most acceptable to the government is one which will care at all times for 500 sick and

Elks in Convention Cross." Conferences between the committee and the Red Cross and War Council officials at Washington, the report stated, developed that "the crying need at this time is for the proper care of the sick and wounded fighting men, and in the proper administration of such relief hospitals and hospital work naturally suggests itself." Vote \$1,000,000 For War Relief

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